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## ALLIED OFFENSIVE IN PACIFIC

### Allied Offensive In The Pacific

WASHINGTON: An allied offensive has begun in the Pacific where in several theater of war the allied began thrusts against the Japanese. In New Guinea Australian troops attacked the Japanese North of Port Moresby in the Owen Stanley mountain region. Here an action of infiltration and encircling has begun said Mc Arthurs communique. The Japanese had succeeded to reach a point only 40 Kilometers from Port Moresby they had succeeded to reach the beginning of the main road to Port Moresby, but from there the Australians took over developing simple patrol activities into a far flung fight.

American and Canadian planes attacked the Japanese bases in the Aleoten islands. The attacking squadrons concentrated their efforts on the island of Siska where at least two Japanese submarines, one transport and 7 seaplanes, were damaged or sunk. The Allied planes met heavy aircraft fire but with the exception of two all planes returned safely to their bases.

In the Solomons the Japanese lost a heavy air battle. American planes attacked the Japs and shot down 25 bombers and one fighter out of a flock of 42 bombers and fighters. The Americans only lost two planes.

The attacking Japanese air fleet tried to blast the American positions on the island of Florida and Cuadacanal.

### Churchill Spoke To Parliament

LONDON: RAF pilots returned with photographs from the air raid on the Norwegian capital. British papers published several photographs of the bombing of the Gestapo headquarters.

In the first picture, a heavy bomb can be seen striking the big building but on the second photo the delayed action fuse has set the bomb off and a violent explosion with a thick column of smoke can be seen.

### Used In Last War

The caverns played their part in World War I also. Then Serbia seemed to have been subdued completely by the German, Bulgar and Austro-Hungarian might. Not a guerrilla peeped anywhere. Yet when the allied offensive from Salonika started in 1918, there appeared suddenly-- "as if from the earth"--100,000 armed patriots. They attacked the Germans and Austrians from the rear, striking the blow that signalled the collapse of the Central Powers.

### Car Accident

We learned that a certain T. D. yesterday crashed with a car he had lend from a acquaintance into a pole. It seems that he misjudged a bent in the road. The car was none the better after the collision but T. D. being well stuffed escaped without a scratch. The Gods are always benevolent to the innocents.

## 32ND DAY OF STALINGRAD BATTLE

### MORE FRENCH TO BE DEPORTED

#### Battle Of Stalingrad

MOSCOW The furious battle of Stalingrad is still going on, the Germans penetrated deeper in the Northern suburbs of the city and other Nazi groups reached new positions along the river Volga. The Russian defenders on their part are stubbornly fighting the attackers and the Germans must pay a very high price for the advances they have been making.

Along the Volga banks there is a row of about 35 heavy concrete buildings used as warehouses and factories, all these buildings have been strongly fortified and are virtual fortresses. The Germans may be forced to storm one building after the other and shall have to make heavy sacrifices before they can declare themselves master of the situation. 12 German tanks and four self propelling guns were put out of action by the point blank fire of the Russian guns.

German dive bombers are less prominent over the battlefield because it is too dangerous for them to drop bombs while their own troops are moving between the battered buildings. The Russian main forces have now retreated across the river and continues flanking attacks are made on the Germans fighting in the battered streets itself.

Marshal Timochenko is continuing his liberation offensive north-west of Stalingrad near Sinyavino. Here the Russians are making important counter thrusts and many thousands of Hitlerites have been killed. Reports from Stockholm said that Hitler is so enraged over the failure of the operations against Stalingrad that he replaced the infamous General von Bock by Colonel General Von Hoth commander of the fourth Panzerarmy which captured Smolensk, he was later appointed commander of the 17th army corps.

### Guerrillas find shelter in caves of 'gates of hell'.

To fighting in the air, on the ground and over and under the sea the Yugoslav guerrillas have added war in the bowels of the earth. Western Yugoslavia is a vast labyrinth of subterranean caverns and passages. When hard pressed in the forests, the guerrillas retire into these caves from which they can emerge miles away through exits hidden among woods and boulders.

The wild Dinaric Alps that run south along the Adriatic Sea from Trieste to Albania are of limestone formation. Rainfall and rivers have burrowed immense caverns into this soft material. Rivers of the Dinaric Alps sink suddenly from sight through morass and sand, before finding their way into the Adriatic. The Trebinichitza or Ombla River disappears twice-running underground more than 20 miles each time. Some rivers lose themselves completely in unexplored caverns, known only to the local inhabitants.

#### Frenchmen threatened.

VICHY. The French Government warned the French people that so far only 17,000 had volunteered to work in Germany and that 150,000 were required by the Nazis. 133,000 more Frenchmen are required and said the French radio there are only 14 days left to volunteer. This sounded very much as a treat to the French people. It is generally believed that the Vichy Government is going to force Frenchmen to work in Germany and will go so far as to deport loyal men and unmarried women to German factories.

There is much activity in Vichy. The former commander in chief in Africa has been called in to advise on the African situation. Darlan commander in chief of all French armed forces has been conferring with him and with General Nogues.

It seems that the French are afraid that the allies will try to attack Dakar on the West African coast. Other observers however said that the French under pressure from Laval and his henchmen who fear the wrath of the disgruntled Nazis are preparing to let more German troops pass through French African territory and arrange for actual military aid to the axis.

#### The Airraid On Oslo

LONDON: Prime Minister Churchill spoke to the House of Commons which assembled for the first time after its vacation; Churchill said that the operations in Madagascar had ended successfully and that he had received news that the garrison in the only remaining fortification had surrendered.

Churchill said that RAF planes attacked Italy 104 times since the outbreak of the war. One Labourman asked Churchill whether he knew that there were no military objects in Rome, adding that the bombing of Rome would be unnecessary. Churchill sharply reported that he did not want to be hindered by any limits.

He said that the convoy which recently reached Russia was the biggest ever to make the trip. The amount of war equipment, tanks, guns and ammunitions was enormous and said Churchill the aid given in this way to the Russians may be as important as an attack under the present conditions on the Continent.

During the debate it was also revealed that already seventeen thousand soldiers had been released by the army to work in the coal mines and many more will be released if they express their wish. Other industries vital for the war effort can now ask permission to have certain technical skilled personnel released from the armed forces.

#### Algemeene Vergadering Van het A. N. V.

De raadszaal was was tot aan den nok gevuld toen de Voorzitter van de plaatselijke afdeling van het A. N. V., Dr. W. Harmsen, de aanwezigen welkom heette. In een korte toespraak zette hij de voordeelen van een democratische regeringsvorm ten opzichte van een dictoriale leiding uiteen. De Notullen, het verslag over het jaar 1941 en de rekening en verantwoording d'r gelden over de jaren 1940 en 1941 werden voorgelezen en goedgekeurd. Een kascommissie werd verkozen en hierop werden de aftredende leden John G. Eman, N. F. Ronday en Th. Hese bij acclamatie staande de vergadering herkennend. Het officiële was al spoedig geëindigd maar pas bij de rondvraag bleek waar m zooveel leden aanwezig waren. De Heer Beyderwellen sneed het onderwerp aan door te vragen hoe het kwam dat er op Koningsdag bij de lezing van den Heer Elias zoo weinig Arubanen in de zaal waren en wat het bestuur dacht te doen. De Heer Rosner beweerde dat er meer propaganda op San Nicolaas gemaakt moest worden daar er nog duizende Nederlandsche onderdanen op dit eiland geen lid van het Verbond waren. De Heer John Eman pleitte vanachter de bestuurstafel voor een soort propaganda commissie. De secretaris, de Heer Hessling had bezwaar tegen een uitgebreide propaganda. Hierop werd weer geantwoord en geleidelijk kwam men tot het cardinale punt nadat de Heer Don een wenk had gegeven en de Heer Bronkhuyzen het woordje trucklading gebruikte had, gesecondeerd door een van de aanwezigen die riep „remember het Roode Kruis”. De Heer Pauw stelde daarop het Bestuur een aantal concrete vragen, of het Bestuur kennis genomen had van het artikel „Wij maken alarm” in de Aruba Post en het antwoord daarop in de Beurs? Of het Bestuur wilde mede deelen wat het in deze had gedaan? Of het bestuur bekend was met het feit dat er gedrukte formulieren door een zeker iemand in de Koenoekoe verspreid waren etc. etc. De Voorzitter antwoordde volkomen aanloos met wat de correspondent van de Beurs schreef, er was heelemaal nog niets gebeurd maar het bestuur lette goed op, en zou niet terugdeinzen om de scherpste maatregelen te nemen.

Hij las artikel zes van het Huishoudelijk reglement voor waarin staat dat het Bestuur beslist over de toelating van nieuwe leden. Wat die formuliertjes betreft die moeten als een kostelijke en kostloze propaganda voor het A. N. V. beschouwd worden.

Het criterium of iemand ja dan wel neen als lid toegelaten zal worden wordt bepaald door het feit of hij gacht wordt de doelstellingen van het verbond te kunnen en te willen naleven.

De secretaris wees er nog op dat in deze tijden het toch niet noodig

### Het Bezoek van de Excellenties

Om ongeveer vier uur veertig arriveerden Zijne Excel. Minister Furstner en Zijne Excel. Gouverneur Kasteel vergezeld van hun adjudanten op het vlieg veld om de terugreis naar Curacao te aanvaarden. Nadat een compagnie schutters onder Kapitein G van der Spek de militaire eerbewijzen gebracht had, onderhielden de Hooge Gasten zich weinige oogenblikken met enkele autoriteiten en namens vervolgens afscheid. Nadat de Gouverneur reeds in het vliegtuig plaats genomen had stond hij plotseling op en vlug het trapje aflopend drukte hij onze OAZ Kapitein Luitenant ter Zee F. J. E. Krips hartelijk de hand. Direct daarop ronkte het toestel weg.

Onze Gouverneur gaf in zijn toespraak tot de kinderen blijk van een grondige kennis van de Geschiedenis, in verband met het bezoek van Luitenant Admiraal Furstner merkte hij op dat behalve Michiel Adriaansz. de Ruyter nog een andere Nederlander die titeld gevoerd heeft, n.l. een broeder van Koning Willem III, een oom van Koningin Wilhelmina, deze Prins Hendrik bijgenaamd de „Zeevaarder” bracht in de vorige eeuw een bezoek aan Aruba. Dit werd door onze Landvoogd leukweg verteld en hadden alle wijsneuzige meneeren van de krant finaal vergeten, en dat spreekt dan van parate kennis... Wij hebben op het vliegveld de bekende gezichten van het Statenlid H.E. Eman en van de landraad A. Eman gemist, wat mag hen deren?

### War Flashes.

LONDON: A lone German plane flew over the west coast of England and dropped a stock of bombs on a small village. Some damage was done and several persons were killed. As there was no anti aircraft battery in the vicinity and no military target this bombing was not so very heroic.

LONDON: Authorities here denied the Nazi claims that several transport loaded with American soldiers had been sunk by German submarines during a trip across the ocean. So far they official spokesmen said no ship had been sunk and a loss of life had been reported though two vessels had been hit by a torpedo but had managed to reach port.

zou moeten zijn dat men de menschen nog meer aanspoort om tot het A.N.V. toe te treden doch dit werd door verschillende leden bestreden.

Ds Alers wees nog op de scheve verhouding die zou kunnen ontstaan indien een propagadacommissielid iemand als lid zou aanwerven en het bestuur zou de bedoelde persoon niet als lid accepteren.

Tenslotte werd een propaganda-commissie vastgesteld bestaande uit de Heeren John G. Eman, N. F. Ronday, Beyderwellen en Philipszoon. Morgen hopen wij nog nader op de A. N. V. questie terug te komen



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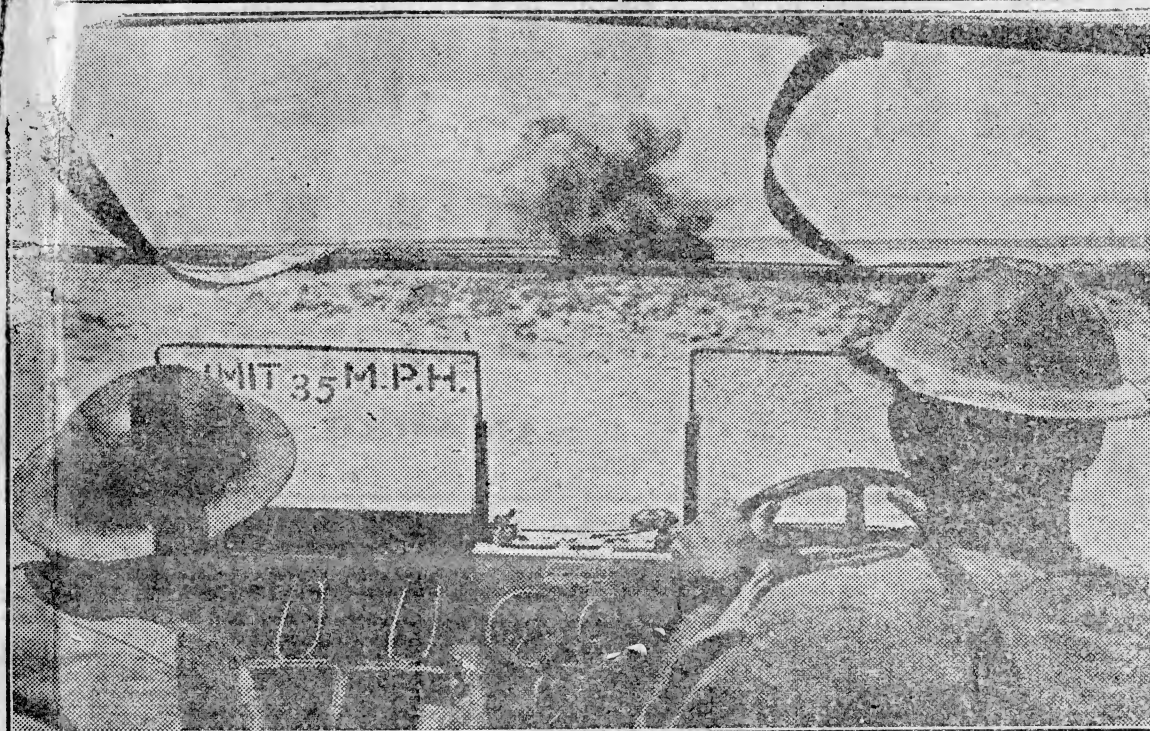
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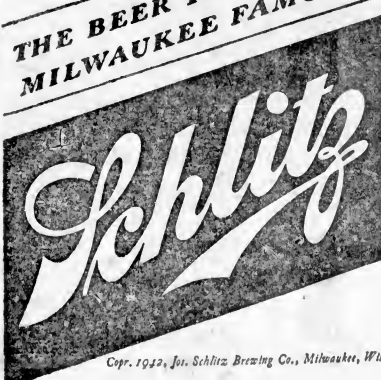


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